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Minutes for DSS-13 Weekly Meeting on 5-19-08

DSS-13 Antenna Activities: Starting this week, Gary and I will actively update the DSS-13 7-day, forecast and planning schedules with ITT scheduler, Carleen Ward. We are working on updating the record keeping of DSS-13's April's and May's activities and will set up a plan for routine monitoring of elements that impact system performance such as Helium, N2 pressure, etc.

DSS-13 Remote Operations: Gary and I will negotiate with GDSCC (R. Haroldsson) on safety and operations requirement especially on the surveillance camera monitor and control at SPC-10. Gary reported that the problem with the picture on the monitor at DSS-13 control room, when I was there, has been fixed. The problem was at the loose connection in the control room.

Noise diode for 11GHz system: The noise diode has been installed back to the 11 GHz system with remote operations.

X/Ka Coherence/Phase Stability Comparison: Gary and Paul informed that the H/W and S/W for this test is ready. I will contact a test engineer for the test procedure.

SGP Support: The next SGP support at DSS-13 is on July 29, 2008.

Bandwidth and Band-limit of Ka-band System: Manuel F. is busy with other tasks till late June. The work on the determination of bandwidth and band-limiting elements (such as dichroic or polarizer) in the broadband Ka-band system could begin in late June or July.

Full Sky Pointing Model: D. Rochblatt and J. Withington did some H/W and instrumentation preparation work at DSS-13 on 5-15-08. There are some issues related to system configuration that Paul has to work out and get back to David before the work can continue.

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